

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Masayuki MUKAINO *et al.*  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 18, 2003

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the attached sheets.